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### FRENCH PRESS DEMANDS FREEDOM GUARANTEES

By Bernard S. Redmont

PARIS — Two big French organizations have called upon the government to maintain freedom of the press, despite current political problems.

The Federation of the French Press and the National Confederation of the Press have issued a joint statement declaring that "the more the executive becomes strong, the more it must be vigilant to see that the press remains free. It would cease to be so, if newspapers, their directors and their editors should become the object of arbitrary measures and if one should see reborn, even in a veiled form, the crime of opinion."

The statement said that "France would cease to be France if she ceased to be free."

It asked the government to:

"1. Put an end to the abusive seizures being carried out.

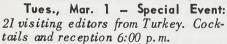
"2. Respect the right of journalists to free information.

3". Respect particularly the right of journalists to invoke the right of professional secrecy in judicial investigations for acts they have known in carrying out their mission.

"4. Declare that among the essential freedoms that the Prime Minister has stated as guaranteed, the freedom of the press is in first place."

JOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

CALENDAR



Thurs., Mar. 10 - Book Night: As Others See Us by Franz Joseph. Panel will include six foreign observers of the U.S. scene. Cocktails 6:30 p.m., Dinner and discussion 7:30

p.m. Reservations, please.

Sat., Mar. 26 - Annual Awards Dinner at Waldorf-Astoria. Members having guests they wish invited should forward their lists so invitations may be sent out. Members wishing to arrange their own table groups call LE 2-4864. The new Information Minister, Louis Terrenoire, replied to this statement, saying that the government's action in Algeria had been "inspired by the will to defend there, as in metropolitan France, republican institutions and freedom."

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Nominating Committee

The following Committee on Nominations for the Club elections scheduled for April has been selected by the President and the Board of Governors:

Chairman: Thomas P. Whitney (past pres.)
William P. Gray (past pres.)
Inez Robb (past vice pres.)
Wayne Richardson (past pres.)
Ralph Paskman
Donald Wayne

Alternates: John Brogan Marshall Loeb

# Time Inc.'s \$10,000 GiftLaunchesSecond Stage of Fund Drive

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Time, Inc. opened the external phase of the World Press Center Fund Drive with a \$10,000 contribution this week. The donation was authorized by Time, Inc.'s editor-in-chief Henry Luce, whose wife, Clare Boothe Luce is co-chairman of the World Press Center Committee.

"We are extremely grateful for this corporate expression of confidence in the future of our World Press Center and the goals and aims it seeks to further", OPC President John Wilhelm said. "Particularly significant is the fact that this generous gift was actually made before the second phase of our campaign was begun."

Active approaches to corporations and foundations began last week with a personal letter from Wilhelm to presidents

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Venezuelan newsmen, in U.S. for Columbia School of Journalism Seminar, visit OPC. Seated, l. to r., G. Alverez Bajares (El Nacional), Dorothy Omansky, Bd. of Gov's., Fernando Barrios (El Universal), G. Carias Sisco (El Nacional), Dr. S. Alberto Consalvi (Momento, Member Chamber Deputies); standing, S. Antillano (La Esfera), C. Dorante (U.N. Mission), M. Alfredo Rodriguez (Epoca, La Esfera), J. Gerbasi (El Nacional), O. Yanes (Elite), Dr. G. Grooscors (Information Director, Venezuelan Govt.), R. Poleo (El Independiente), Dr. L. Herrera Campins (columnist, Ultimas Noticias, Member Chamber Deputies), Omar Perez (El Nacional), Bill Mizelle; seated on floor, Dean Edward Barrett, Open House Chairman James Sheldon, Bob Cole, Larry Blochman, Bd. of Gov's. Mizelle, Cole and Luz translated, Sheldon MC'd. (Story, p. 2).

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JUST BEFORE THE AXE FELL . . . . Matt Kenny, Havana bureau chief for UPI, seems to be talking turkey to Fidel Castro outside the Soviet Exposition in Havana. Five days later Kenny was detained by Cuban Air Force authorities as he tried to cover First Soviet Deputy Premier Mikoyan's takeoff by Russian helicopter from Camp Liberty air base for a tour of the provinces. Two photographers, Nicholas Ruiz, UPI, and Julian Martinez, were also detained, but all three were released shortly thereafter, with no charges filed. The incident followed by a month the protest to Castro by OPC's Freedom of the Press Committee about Cuban treatment of James Buchanan of the Miami Herald.

### OVERSEAS TICKER

### TAIPEL

Sheldon Wesson, Far East bureau chief in Japan for Fairchild Publications, spent last week in Taiwan to study the development of trade and industry on the island.

The Arabic edition of President Chiang Kai-shek's book, Soviet Russia in China, published February 15 in Beirut, Lebanon, made the ninth language for editions of the book.

E. Hanck, a journalist, was a member of a 3-man economic mission from West Germany arriving February 21 for a week's tour of Taiwan.

Prince Peter and his wife, the Princess Irene, ousted from Kalimpong, West Bengal, (their house sequestered by the Indian Government because of verbal defense of the Tibetans) are currently visiting Taiwan and the island of Quemoy.

Jim Lucas of the Scripps-Howard papers, Jacques Nevard of the *New York Times* and Jacques Jacquet-Francillon, of *Le Figaro*, are other foreign correspondents visiting the Republic of China.

John Toland of Random House, and Igor Oganesoff, Far Eastern Bureau Chief for the Wall Street Journal were here this past week. During their brief visit, Dr. Sampson Shen, Director of the Government Information Office entertained the foreign correspondents in Taipei with a Chinese dinner and private showing of a Hongkong movie, The Throne and Beauty, which won last year's Asian Film Festival award for the best color photography.

Due in for the week of Feb. 13-20 are: Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Jacquet-Francillon, of *Le Figaro*; Kayser Sung, Deputy Editor of *Far Eastern Economic Review*, Doris Nieh, photographer for *Time* and *LIFE* in Hongkong, and Hamil-

ton Wright and party of the Hamilton Wright Organization, New York.

Prof. H. Herrfahrdt of the University of Warburg, and Laurence E. Short, Executive Secretary of the Australian Steel and Iron Works, are making their first visit to Taiwan. Geraldine Fitch

# OPC Host To 12 Leading Venezuelan Journalists

U.S. coverage of South America should "put less stress on transitory things — a revolution here, an earthquake there, or stories about 'quaint native customs' — and pay more attention to basic economic and political developments," according to Manuel Alfredo Rodriguez, top contributor to La Esfera and Epoca.

Rodriguez, who was exiled during the Perez Jimenez regime, spoke for a group of 12 leading Venezuelan journalists, in New York for a two week Columbia seminar.

All were guests of OPC Tuesday, and participated in a lively exchange of opinion that didn't adjourn till near midnight.

Speakers urged that U.S. newsmen help make the Hemisphere aware that Venezuela "has done something unprecedented: has been saved from a dictator without an internal upheaval." Others emphasized the vital role played by the press in uniting all three major parties to support a democratic regime where differences were buried until parliamentary order had been fully established.

Affair was sponsored jointly by Foreign Journalists Liaison, Inter-American and Open House Committees.

Your Overseas Press Bulletin Issue
Editors This Week Are:
Margaret Ralston, Ben Zwerling
Bulletin Committee Co-Chairmen:
Donald Wayne, Jess Gorkin
Managing Editor; Marge Eklund

### PEOPLE & PLACES

Franz Weissblatt is leaving Feb. 28 for a 2 months tour of the Far East and Europe... Henry Toluzzi making travel plans for a quick trip to New York from Nairobi.

Jan Hasbrouck, financial editor of European edition, N.Y. Herald Tribune, recovering from surgery.

Joseph Barry, N.Y. Post, back from a tour of Germany on the trail of the swastika story.

New Paris monthly, published in English interests, called *Continental Key*, out this month.

Bob LaBlonde of Caltex Oil off to Europe and Turkey. He was recently elected secretary of the Circumnavigators Club and George Pierrot of Detroit is the clubs new vice president.

Plans afoot for a warm "bienvenido" to the *Hearst* Task Force in Panama. OPCers there looking forward to meeting with *Considine*, *Hearst* and *Conniff*.

May Craig, Portland Press Herald, off on a working trip to Africa, North, Central and South — back end of March.

It's a boy, Matthew Isaak, at the Melvin Mandells, on Feb. 18. Mandell is industrial editor of Dun's Review and Modern Industry. (Cont'd. on page 7)



Congressman Chester Bowles, of Connecticut, was the guest author at a Book Night discussion of his book, The Coming Political Breakthrough, at the OPC. Shown above are panelist Rep. D. S. Saund; Bowles; Whitman Bassow, moderator and panelist Rep. Steven B. Derounian. Two other panelists were Prof. Richard Neustadt of Columbia University and Prof. Alfred de Grazia of N.Y.U.

### BOWLES SAYS U.S. CRAVES REAL LEADERSHIP

Congressman Chester Bowles told a Book Night audience that the American people are looking for the kind of leadership that will inspire them to the great new challenges of the years to come.

The things we need to do, he said, will then no longer be considered too difficult or too expensive. We will no longer fear our own greatness, but will

rise to its demands, he added. Such fear has caused us to spend more on storing excess grain than building new schools, he said.

Under such leadership, the Connecticut congressman said, we will be able to adequately provide for our defense at the same time that we improve our schools, develop a sensible agricultural program, build adequate housing and generally improve the quality of life in America.

The former Ambassador to India and the one-time Governor of Connecticut said that under the Eisenhower Administration "apathy has become respectable," but the people are anxious to participate in their government again and are hungry for the truth about their country and its place in the world.

### NEWSMEN TAKE ON POLICE, MONSOONS, HEAT WAVE AS K. VISITS INDONESIA

BY DON HUTH AP Chief, Southeast Asia

Jakarta, Indonesia-Rice pot "air conditioners," arrested motorcycle riders, flooded bedrooms, tantalizing telephone communications, monsoon rains and sweltering heat.

These were some of the things reporters encountered during Soviet Premier Khrushchev's visit to Indonesia.

Official preparations were confused up to the last minute. The official scheduled of events wasn't released until less than 24 hours before Khrushchev's arrival. Newsmen had to get the exact time of arrival from Rangoon, Khrushchev's last stop before Jakarta, and then the times given for each event in the schedule were wrong. Everything was played by ear.

Advance planning gave AP a firm hold on one of the two telephones that have a direct connection with Jakarta and do not go through the airport terminal switch board. Paul Purukan, a Jakarta staffer, held it open to the office while John Roderick (Tokyo bureau) and Roy Essoyan (Hong Kong) covered the festivities.

Khrushchev arrived at 0619 GMT. John Griffin (Singapore) was dictating on an open line to Tokyo. When word was flashed that the plane landed, Huth shouted the time. Griffin said "Bulletin"

-and the Tokyo line went dead. Four anxious minutes later Nate Polowetzky's voice squeaked through from Tokyo and copy trickled out at an agonizing snails pace.

Asian Photo Editor Hal Buell was geared for a photo barrage. Five motorcycle messengers were assigned at strategic places to rush film to the lab. All five drivers were lost at crucial times.

Two were forced by security-minded police to leave their assigned positions and were swallowed in the crowd. Two were arrested and held for three hours for getting too close to the palace gates. The fifth driver, refused to make the trip. He was afraid of the Darul Islam bandits. along the road he would travel after dark.

### Water Pressure Erratic

This was only one of Buell's problems. Water pressure in Jakarta is erratic. To insure a constant supply for washing prints a handpump was installed. Small boys took turns pumping.

Buell had too little water, but Griffin had too much. He went to bed one night. The monsoon rains came. The next morning his bedroom floor was under five inches of water.

Humid stifling heat made working conditions in the office like a Turkish bath. So "air conditioners" were improvised of large rice cooking pots, crammed full of ice, with a fan blowing over them.

# UPI TV Crew Roughed Up By Chinese in Jakarta

Jakarta, Indonesia, — an American television photography crew was roughed up last week by angry Chinese students who objected to having pictures taken of their school and club grounds.

The camera team consisted of Wade Bingham, CBS, and Dexter Alley, Fred Rheinstein and Yung Su Kwon, NBC.

Bingham, Rheinstein and Alley scaled a wall to escape the school grounds after the youths closed the gates of the compound and attacked them.

All three suffered bruises and scratches. Rheinstein and Alley lost cameras. Bingham's camera and lights were smashed by a youth swinging an iron bar.

Two armed policemen assigned to the photography team were shoved from the compound by an estimated 150 youths. They finally broke up the attack by firing shots in the air.

Authorities had given the crew permission to take pictures at the school compound, which houses some Chinese who soon are to be repatriated.

### 144 STUDENTS HEAR KENNEDY, ALLEN AT SEC BETWEEN THE SESSIONS

# The World in Three And a Half Days

"Our curriculum is the world." With these words, Richard Taub, former editor of the Michigan Daily, capsuled the challenge and the problem of young Americans facing the world in an era of change.

These same words serve as summary for the speeches, discussions and arguments which filled every corner of the OPC from Friday night to Monday noon as 150 college editors exchanged ideas with 75 journalists, foreign experts and two distinguished national leaders -George V. Allen, Director of the U.S.I.A., and Sen. John F. Kennedy of Mass.

Over and over again, the college editors were exhorted to close the gaps of knowledge and understanding between Americans and the rest of the world if freedom and even life itself were to survive.

Friday night the OPC'ers discussed the problems of the press and broadcasting, and the spectrum of activities in which American students are involved internationally.

Saturday's sessions included morning and afternoon seminars, a luncheon, an evening reception and a banquet sponsored by Time Inc.

Committee Vice Chairman James H. Sheldon, conducted the question period.

Sunday's proceedings included the New York Times' "Youth Forum," and Ruth Hagy's "College News Conference" which featured Sen. Kennedy as guest, the delegate editors as panelists and a re-enactment of the OPC College Awards presentation.

Later, seminar reports followed addresses by Kennedy and Bill Lawrence, and the Sunday session concluded with a speech by Ravindra Verma, president of the World Assembly of Youth, who visited the Sunday session with 30 executive committee members (from all over the world) en route to Bogota, Columbia.

At the conference, the present generation of students - often accused of being "silent" and "beat", - proved that they were very vocal indeed and had plenty of verbal ammunition to fire in the form of sharp questions.

> Ruth Hagy Brod Committee Chairman

### MacGregor, Sheean Cite Far East Dilemna

Increased sentiment in the State Department towards finding compromises to permit recognition of Red China was reported by Greg MacGregor, New York Times, at the Saturday luncheon session.

The U.S. cannot long continue shutting its eyes to Red China and its 700 million people, he warned.

The chances of a revolution within Communist China seem remote, he observed, because of the rigid indoctrination of the younger generation.



Ross

Vincent Sheean, author of the recently published Nehru: The Years of Power, offered the view that American aid to Asian nations at present was sufficient.

A welcoming address by Mrs. Enid Haupt, editor and publisher of Seventeen Magazine, as read by Jean Baer.

Committee Vice Chairman Madeline D. Ross presided.



OPC members (left to right) Salisbury, Grauer, Barrett, Talbert, Wilhelm and Brod, and U.S. National Student Association President Donald A. Hoffman enjoy a brief break in the busy program of the Student Editors Conference held here last weekend.

Despite all the hectic conference aci found time for special pursuits: Todd Hunt, first novel, Anastasia Schulz to Doubleday came engaged on Sat. to Joan Van Doren, Re night" bull session at the Sheraton-Atlantics

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High water mark (and we DO mean that luncheon, Sat., was the deluge which descen ing room in the midst of Jimmy Wechslers announced: "This demonstration was arms then without a pause continued with his 'M on these pages)

### U. S. Needs More Good Newspapers, Salisbury Says

Large areas of the United States are "without a good, first-class newspaper," the conference for college editors was told Friday night.

Harrison Salisbury, correspondent for the N.Y. Times, made the observation during the panel discussion on press responsibilities.

He said the fact that so many areas were without good newspapers indicated that while the American press is "one of the best and most responsible in the world, it could be much better."



Robb

American papers have "only scratched the surface" in reporting social, economic and political problems, he said, adding that the role of the newspaper was to define these problems and offer possible solutions. He suggested that newspapers were particularly suited to take on this task.

### Ben Grauer Speaks

Ben Grauer, NBC commentator and moderator of the discussion, said he too, had found many areas in the U.S. where newspapers did not adequately cover international news.

He acknowledged that "radio and television will never replace the printed word", but predicted that the broadcasting industry would present "more responsible coverage of national and international affairs" in the future.

Dean Edward W. Barrett, of the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, reviewed a three-year report on the state of American journalism. He urged more imagination, experimentation and research in the field.

"Never has the nation had greater need for capable, brilliant journalists," he asserted.

### ECOND OPC COLLEGE EDITORS CONFERENCE

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> Inez Robb, Scripps Howard columnist, criticized the arbitrary actions of many editors in deciding that the public has no interest in international news.

> > Readers Short Changed

"Give them foreign news and they'll learn to read it," she said. "Don't sell the American people short."

She also had harsh words for columnists who use their positions as "instruments of personal punishment."

John Wilhelm, director of the news bureau at McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., discussed what he called a "new type of journalism" on the business magazines.

He said the work of specialized reporters in areas such as economics and engineering was bringing about changes in reading habits among the public.

### 'Nixon' Meets the Press In Wechsler TV Spoof

A tongue-in-cheek version of a "Meet the Press" television program by James Wechsler, editor of the N.Y. Post, highlighted the Saturday luncheon, hosted by Seventeen Magazine.

Some excerpts from the spoof session:

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Wechsler

MODERATOR BROOKS: I see Mr. Spivack happens to have the first question.

SPIVAK: Mr. Nixon, you were once very critical of the Truman administration and even said: "Wouldn't it be nice to have a Sec. of State who will stand up to the Commies?" How, sir, do you reconcile that with this Administration's meetings with Khrushchev?

NIXON: (Who is this bum - he doesn't even work for a newspaper? Who put him on this show?) Mr. Spivak, as our great President would say, I'm delighted you asked that question. I can only answer it by saying that I meant what I said then, and I mean what I say now. Even as we mobilize all our resources to combat atheistic, materialistic communism, we are doing everything in our power to save the peace of the world.

MRS. CRAIG: You said recently that more schools and teachers were an urgent need but when you had to break a tie vote in the Senate, you voted against the key education bill.

NIXON: (Why doesn't she get a new hat?) Mrs. Craig, I have no apologies to make for my record or that of the Administration in the field of education. From the time I was a small boy, I have been for it. I should like to go on and on on this subject, but I am sure there is other ground.

DRUMMOND: You have said that politics should stop at the water's edge. Aren't you troubled by testimony that

the missile gap is growing?

NIXON: Mr. Drummond, I have long admired your work and I can only say that I wish the opposition party would stop playing the numbers game. (That ought to shut them up!)

LAWRENCE: There are persistent reports that Gov. Rockefeller isn't giving up, and is just waiting for something to go wrong with your campaign to become active again.

NIXON: (He's telling me! Those Times men pretend to be so impartial, but they're always stirring up trouble.) Mr. Lawrence, just let me digress for a moment to say how much I respect the Times. In answer to your question, I shall not try to speak for Gov. Rockefeller but I repeat that he has a great role to play in our party and in the future of our country. (Over my dead body.)

### KENNEDY URGES U.S. "ERR ON THE SIDE OF SAFETY"

Sen. John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.), a former youthful journalist himself, was put on the "defense-ive" before the college editors on ABC's College News Conference" and at Sunday's lunch.

Though calling for a greater defense effort ("We should err on the side of safety"), the Presidential aspirant refused to be pulled into Senator Symington's orbit of indicting the Administration for misleading the public on the American defense posture.

Kennedy said the President is "not going to play with the security of the United States." But the Senator favors "a greater effort than this Administration seems willing to undertake" in defense.

Shifting from "war," to "peace", Kennedy assailed the Administration for



Sen. Kennedy and Ruth Hagy Brod

not making a strong enough effort for disarmament. He charged that the Atomic Energy Commission and the Pentagon have a "tremendous vested interest" in continuing the testing of nuclear weapons.

On Ruth Hagy's ABC "College News Conference," Kennedy said he is "hopeful" in the Wisconsin primary; that he felt victory would hinge on the popular vote rather than the number of delegates

nailed down.

He refused to ioust directly with Senator Lyndon Johnson. whom he has called his chief opponent for the nomination. He thinks Johnson's pushing for civil rights isn't just



a device for getting northern liberal support, but is an expression of general Democratic policy.

At the lunch, where he got in a plug for more young persons aspiring to political careers ("Most mothers want their sons to be President, but few want them to be politicians"), he was more specific about foreign policy, which he pinpointed during his video grilling as the "key issue of the campaign." He emphasized his sympathy with the cries of self-determination from Indonesia to Algeria to South America and called for greater development aid and more creative programming.

In retrospect he said he would have used the strong position the U.S. enjoyed after the Suez crisis to ensure a "free" canal. He would not have emphasized "paper pacts" such as the Baghdad treaty that demand too much for countries to be "for or against" the U.N.

### Laurence Talks Science

William L. Laurence, science editor of the N.Y. Times, challenged the editors with the potential or portent of the future.

"In the progression of science, man will be able to unleash the power of Sol himself to transform the globe into a Garden of Eden or a desert of destruction?'

Speaking at the lunch, he outlined miraculous possibilities of the superatomic age to come - from a cancer cure to communication with "beings" of other planets.

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### FRENCH PRESS (Cont'd. from p. 1)

Terrenoire said that government measures had been limited essentially to Algeria and that "at no time had measures of seizure or search in local news agencies and newspapers taken place in metropolitan France."

Recently, government authorities had searched several newspaper offices in Algiers and the Algiers bureau of the AFP, presumably in search of news dispatches that had been censored in the early days of the rightist insurrection of last January 24.

Editions of French newspapers and magazines of several shades of opinion had been banned in Algeria.

Nevertheless, press freedom and criticism in France remains essentially as free as in any other free nation of the world, if not freer.

A protest by U.S. networks over denial of radio circuits to correspondents in Algiers during the early days of the insurrection bore immediate fruit.

The Anglo-American Press Association of Paris is making efforts to speed up and improve the visa situation for Algiers and to ensure no discrimination on visas on the basis of correspondents' writings.

### TIME GIFT (Cont'd. from p. 1)

and board chairmen. "Whatever you give," the letter read in part, "will be a stimulus to the members of the Club who on working newsmen's salaries are rapidly approaching their primary goal of, \$135,000 from OPC members."

As the new campaign began, fund drive headquarters reported that pledges from 803 members had raised the "family" campaign total to \$114,258.22. This represents an increase of almost \$4,000 over the preceding week.

James W. Crayhon, assistant manager of public relations of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), has been personally responsible for stimulating membership pledges totalling \$2,350, as vice chairman of the Public Relations Industry Committee. He also helped secure \$6,000 in corporate pledges.

Accompanying his check for \$150 for the WPC, Capt. Joshua L. Goldberg, well-known U.S. Navy chaplain in New York, was a letter in which he wrote, "Whenever I cross the threshhold of OPC, I sense a reality rarely to be found outside its walls; real people, real ideas and real friendships."

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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS ACTIVE

JEANNE PERKINS HARMAN — Correspondent & travel writer for the N.Y. Times, correspondent San Juan Star, Time, Inc. in St. Thomas, V.I. Life Magazine, N.Y. 1941/49. Proposed by Alton A. Adams; seconded by Helen L. Auble.

ROBERT T. HARTMANN — Los Angeles Times, Washington Bureau (1939/54 Los Angeles & Middle East & world wide on special assignments). Proposed by Arthur D. Holzman; seconded by Robert N. Branson.

GEOFFREY KEAN — NBC 1951/56 (Germany, England). Proposed by  $E.\ Robert\ Singer;$  seconded by  $John\ M.\ Cooper.$ 

BENJAMIN B. LACY, Jr. — Correspondent, American Forces Network, Europe. *The Houston Chronicle*, Houston, Tex. Jan. '54-Jan. '55; *The Houston Post* Aug. '55-Aug. '56. Proposed by *Edward J. De Fontaine*; seconded by *Charles J. Roberts*.

HAL H. McCLURE - AP since 1956. Proposed by Wayne Richardson; seconded by William Glover.

JOSEPH F. McEVOY — AP 1936/51 (U.S.A.-Argentina, Colombia); Asbury Park (N.J.) Press 1933/36; Trenton (N.J.) Times 1927/33. Proposed by Hugh Jencks; seconded by James Alan Coogan. (Continued on page 7.)

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WILLIAM A. RICE — N.Y. News since 1954 & 1949/50. Pacific Stars & Stripes 1952/53. Proposed by Robert Conway; seconded by William F. Neugebauer.

PHOEBE SCHOCK — Alfred Wagg Pictures (Far & Middle East) since Jan. 1958. Time Magazine, N.Y. Mar. '57-Dec. '58. Proposed by Ralph R. Schulz; seconded by Alfred Wagg.

HARRIET STIX — New York Bureau chief for London International Press Ltd. *American Weekend* 1957/59 (London). Proposed by *Thomas B. Dorsey*; seconded by *Nan Robert*-ASSOCIATE

CRAIG BALLANTYNE — Editorial Director, The Montreal Standard since 1942. The Montreal Gazette 1935/42. Proposed by Donald G. Feitel; seconded by F. Richard Anderson.

ALAN PETER CARTER — The Newark News 1952/57; The Hartford Courant 1949/52; Life Magazine 1947/49. Proposed by Robert L. Dunne; seconded by John R. Wilhelm.

JOSEPH H. DANIELS — Palisades Publishers, Inc. since 1948. Englewood Journal (N.J.) 1935/48. Proposed by Milton E. Goldman; seconded by Joseph C. Peters.

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ANDY FLADMO — U.S. correspondent, "Sportsmanden" (Oslo, Norway). Proposed by Jon Embretsen; seconded by Bent Vanberg.

JOHN FOSTER, Jr. - Faculty, Columbia University, McGraw-Hill Pub. Co. 1942/48 (New York, Washington, Venezuela); N.Y. News Bureau 1935/38; N.Y. Evening Journal 1934/35. Proposed by Sally Sheppard; seconded by Edward W. Barrett.

RICHARD GIOVINE — PM 1940/47; Northwest News Service 1947/49; Popular Science 1949/51. Proposed by Elmer Roessner; seconded by Luther Conant, Jr.

HENRY CLAY GIPSON - Filmfax Productions since 1947. Springer Pictures Inc. 1942/46; Minicam Magazine 1939/42; Win Magazine 1938/39. Proposed by Harrison Forman; seconded by Irwin Forman.

ELIZABETH ANN HAWLEY — Editorial researcher for Fortune, Time & Life magazines 1946/59. Proposed by Herbert Solow; seconded by Judith Friedberg.

GEORGE A. HEINEMANN — NBC Radio & TV since 1948. CBS 1940/41. Proposed by Alvin H. Perlmutter; seconded by William R. McAndrew.

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FRANCES KISH — Macfadden Publications since 1948. Ideal Publishing Co. Inc. 1942/48. Proposed by Henriette Kish; seconded by Anita Diamant Berke.

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CHARLES N. POLLAK — UPI 1940/47 (New York & Buenos Aires). The Whittier (Calif.) Pictorial 1950/51. Proposed by Daniel C. McCarthy; seconded by Robert A. Wiener.

LALIT KUMAR PURI — UN correspondent for National Herald (India), Toronto Telegram & Cleveland News. Proposed by N. R. Caine; seconded by N. F. Allman.

JOHN C. ROBBINS, Jr. — The Cleveland Press 1946/57 (Cleveland, Europe, Middle East, South-East Asia.) Proposed by Daniel C. McCarthy; seconded by Robert A. Wiener.

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DOROTHY E. L. TUTTLE — International Press Service, USIA-USIS. Proposed by Don Glassman; seconded by Jean Baer.

### PEOPLE & PLACES (Cont. f. p. 3)

. . . Rosalind Massow's series on antisemitism in Russia, carried locally by the N.Y. Journal American, is being syndicated by the Hearst Headline Service . . . Helen Alpert is news and promotion director for Marine Run Inc.

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# CONFERENCE FOR COLLEGE EDITORS Sponsored By OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB OF AMERICA

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February 19, 20, 21, 22, 1960





The Saturday Time, Inc. banquet speakers compare notes with Conference Chairman Ruth Hagy Brod: Edgar R. Baker, Managina Director of Time-Life International, Mrs. Brod, George V. Allen, USIA Director and Pauline Frederick, NBC News Commentator and an OPC Governor.

### ALLEN EXPLAINS U. S. I. A. MISSION

George V. Allen, Director of the United States Information Agency, told the Friday night conference dinner sponsored by Time, Inc. that the U.S. was attempting to reach people abroad "in their living rooms, even in their bedrooms."

Mr. Allen was introduced to the college editors by host Edgar R. Baker, Vice-President of Time, Inc. and managing director of Time-Life International.

In his address, Mr. Allen explained the tasks of the USIA as "to bring the world's people together."

He said that the U.S. and other nations were "hard at it" to take their messages immediately to the common man.

The USIA director urged young journalists to do their utmost to promote international understanding. "The test whether the U.S. deserves world leadership is the extent to which we are able to bring people together," he advised.

In the question and answer session which followed the dinner address, Mr. Allen denied that he had ever taken any action in connection with the latest reprieve of convict author Caryl Chessman.

He said that he did not know of a State Department telegram to California Gov. Edmund Brown until Brown mentioned it in announcing the stay of execution.

Mr. Allen said that his only contact with the case came Wednesday night when he received a telephone call "from Los Angeles from a man who identified himself as an assistant district attorney, a Mr. Rogan."

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### Nations Ignore Key To World Peace, Commentator Warns Student Editors

The United States and Russia are "two scorpions in a bottle, capable of killing each other, but only at the risk of its own life," stated Pauline Frederick, NBC news commentator, addressing the Student Editors' Conference Saturday.

Americans are concerned with arms superiority as a key to prestige and power, she continued. The conference table is ignored, while we arm in order to defend ourselves against the Soviet threat. We spend "billions for arms, but pennies for peace."

Miss Frederick declared that the United Nations and the conference table are the sources of world peace. The U.N. framework for "mediation, arbitration and conciliation of international differences" is the only means to avoid the "ultimate insanity" of nuclear war.

There has been continued procrastination in negotiations over peace settlements and armed outbursts, she added. While the U.N. cannot demand that nations use its facilities, it offers the conference table as "a substitute for the battlefield."



OPC inaugurated College Newspaper Awards for world news reporting and interpretation. President John Wilhelm presented the awards to Todd Hunt, editor of the U. of Minnesota Daily (winner: Class I) and Peter Kilborn, editor of The Trinity Tripod, Trinity College, Conn. (winner: Class II, Weeklies).

### FOREIGN NEWS EDITORS BRIEF STUDENTS

During the first two days of the conference the student editors attended a series of seminars on various areas of vital international interest. Panels for each seminar were made up of journalists well-qualified to discuss the latest developments in these areas and the techniques of reporting them.

AFRICA.

Sanford Griffith, chairman, Arnold Beichman, Marguerite D. Cartwright, Eliot Elisofon, James T. Harris, Robert S. Kane, Allard K. Lowenstein, George Movshun.

News coverage of Africa is inadequate, spotty and often misleading.

With a shortage of news coming from a continent with 225,000,000 people, editors are rarely interested in printing what is available - usually only violent upheavals or stories with a Communist angle.

The American concept of Africa is "Witch-doctor, cannibal. outdated. jungle" are still popular concepts.

It is not surprising that the emerging governmental patterns in Africa are more similar to those of the Soviet Union than to those of the West. Their problems are more similar.

### ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

Stanley Swinton, chairman, Foster Hailey, Paul Hermuses, William Jessup, Richard J.H. Johnston, Greg MacGregor, Willem L. Oltmans, Victor Lasky.

It was predicted that U.S. news men would be inside Communist China within two years.

On broader questions of Asia in general, editors cited difficulty in reporting the Asia story due to lack of understanding in the U.S. and lack of information in large parts of Asia.

Complexity of terminology and the tendency to oversimplify were noted as problems. Reporters also feel severely hampered by lack of space in the U.S. press given to foreign affairs.

Weeklies were accused of slanting stories and oversimplification.

EUROPE AND THE U.S.S.R.

Louis Lochner and Thomas P. Whitney,

co-chairmen, Whitman Bassow, William A. Berns, Robert Doty, H. Peter Dreyer, Franz M. Joseph, Ansel E. Talbert.

Though the concept of the "indispensable man" is often considered "anti-pathetic to democracy", De Gaulle has been careful to act within the limits of the French constitution.

Notwithstanding a good doctrinaire argument against De Gaulle, France had no practical alternative.

The Eisenhower Administration was accused of taking a "calculated risk" in its defense program. This was attributed to preoccupation with balancing the budget.

LATIN AMERICA
Benjamin A. Cohen, chairman, Robert J. Cole, Julia Edwards, Oscar Faura, Harold E. Levine, Ruth Lloyd, Herbert L. Matthews, A. Wilfred May, Virginia Prewett, Columbia Rossi.

The State Dept. and the American press were blamed for current anti-American feeling in Cuba.

The panel also agreed that Latin America wants understanding not charity. Cuba was cited as an example of the patronizing attitude of Americans.

Eisenhower's forthcoming trip to Latin America was seen as a way of making Latin Americans feel the importance they wish.

Americans were urged to judge events in Latin America by Latin American standards, not those of the United States.

### MIDDLE EAST

Hal Lehrman and John Luter, cochairmen, Maurice Adams, Foster Hailey, William Heatherington, Edward Makin, Kathleen McLaughlin, Sam Pope Brewer, James A. Sheldon, Helen Zotos.

United States foreign policy in the Middle East is one of drift and with no purpose, student newspaper editors were told.

Our aid to the Middle East is guided by the political upheavals that occur in each country.



Student editors ponder problem in foreign news coverage during Asia and the Far East

The Soviet Union has gained a strong economic foothold in the United Arab Republic by knowing specifically what is done with USSR loans.

The Soviet Union has made attractive loans with less strings attached.

The Soviet Union undersells the U.A.R. in the world cotton market, preventing the U.A.R. from marketing its prime commodity.

Arab people do not consider whether communism is good or bad, only whether loans will help their country.

### 75 COLLEGES REPRESENTED

Nearly 150 editors from 75 colleges representing 24 states attended the Student Editors Conference at the Club this weekend.

Among the schools represented were: Wellesley, Hood, Harvard, Oberlin, San Francisco State, Wesleyan, the Universities of Wyoming, Detroit, Utah, Michigan, and Minnesota, UCLA, Smith, Chicago. Radcliffe and Agnes Scott.

Also attending the Conference were several foreign students from Japan and Indonesia who are studying on scholarships in this country this year.

Other schools represented included: Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Oklahoma College for Women; Temple University; Ohio University; Case Institute of Technology and Cornell.

### CONFERENCE SPONSORS

The Conference For College Editors was sponsored by the Overseas Press Club and the United States National Student Association.

It was made possible by grants from: The Foundation for Youth and Student Affairs; Seventeen Magazine, Mrs. Enid A. Haupt, Editor and Publisher, and Time, Inc., James A. Linen, Publisher.

The assistance has provided scholarships covering living expenses in New York and partial transportation for the student editors.

### USIA (Cont'd from previous page)

The information agency head stated that he was "strongly encouraging" his department personnel read the recent best-seller, The Ugly American, to impress upon them how not to act in their jobs in foreign lands.

He admitted that in the past misunderstandings had occured that were traceable to "the language barrier."

Mr. Allen added that within two years he "expected" his foreign personnel to know the language of the nation to which they are assigned.

### COLUMBIA COVERS CONFERENCE

Coverage of the Conference for College Editors activities was done by more than a dozen volunteer students from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

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# \$15,000 Ford Donation

A \$15,000 total contribution from Ford interests was this week's good news at World Press Center fund drive headquarters.

Henry Ford II signed the check for the initial \$10,000, which shortly was followed by a \$5,000 donation from the Ford Motor Company Fund.

With Ford a major factor in international automotive circles, the Overseas Press Club involvement is tied closely to the firm's global expansion. Moreover,



Henry Ford II, Pres. Ford Motor Company the Ford Motor Company's international public relations program is geared to assist foreign correspondents wherever Ford PR staffs are available.

The sizeable Ford contribution followed by a week announcement of the first large external donation, \$10,000 from Time Inc. The Time Inc. subscription to further establishment of the OPC's World Press Center heralded opening of the second stage of the campaign.

Previously, solicitation had been limited to Overseas Press Club members themselves, in the firm belief that contributions from OPCers would underscore family loyalty and support for their own enterprise.

Even as large-scale gifts were being reported from sources outside the OPC, members this week boosted to more than \$116,000 the amount pledged. A total of \$116,339 was promised by 824 members. Some \$18,000 remains to be solicited before the \$135,000 internal goal is reached.

(List of recent contributors on page 3)

### HENRY CABOT LODGE GUEST SPEAKER FOR Boosts Building Campaign OPC ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER SET FOR MARCH 26

JOT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

Tues., Mar. 8 - Open House: Cabinet members of British Honduras, soon-to-be newest Caribbean member of British Commonwealth. (Story, this page.) Cocktails, 6:15; dinner, 7:00.

Thurs., Mar. 10 - Book Night: As Others See Us by Franz Joseph. Panel will include six foreign observers of the U.S. scene. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m.; Dinner and discussion 7:30 p.m. Reservations, please.

Fri., Mar. 18 - Reception for Student Editors, attending Columbia University Scholastic Press Association. 4:00 p.m., Memorial Lounge.

Tues., Mar 22 - Regional Dinner, Denmark. A typical Danish menu, entertainment, door prizes. Member and one guest. \$4.00. Cocktails 6:30, dinner 7:30. Reservations now.

Sat., Mar. 26 - Annual Awards Dinner at Waldorf-Astoria. Members having guests they wish invited should forward their lists so invitations may be sent out. Members wishing to arrange their own table groups call LE 2-4864.

### FOREIGN OBSERVERS ON BOOK NIGHT PANEL

Panelists on Mar. 10 will be from Great

Britain, France, India, Yugoslavia, United Arab Republic and Mexico. They include John Crawley, British Broadcasting Company UN correspondent; Louis Foy, Paris Press UN correspond-Professor Krisnagi Mahishi,



Franz Joseph

University of Bombay; Z. Milic, Borba UN correspondent; Ambassador Rafik Asha, United Arab Republic deputy, and a Mexican member to be announced.

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Henry Cabot Lodge, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, will be the speaker at the 21st Annual Awards Dinner Dance at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel March 26th, Chet Huntley, dinner committee chairman, announced this week.

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Huntley also forecast new records in both attendance and net receipts for the annual affair, which this year will benefit the World Press Center Fund Drive.



Henry Cabot Lodge

Ambassador Lodge, who has been the U.S. Representative to the United Nations and a member of President Eisenhower's cabinet since 1953, did not indicate the subject of his talk.

His recent trip to Russia has inspired speculation among political experts concerning his availability as a candidate for Vice President on the Republican national ticket. During the current month he is serving as chairman of the U.N. Security Council.

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HONDURANS TO VISIT OPC

The newest Caribbean nation, British Honduras, will be topic Tuesday night, March 8, when top officers of that country, returning from a constitutional conference in London, visit OPC.

Speakers will include Hon. L.S. Sylvestre, Member (i.e., Minister) for Public Works, Hon. A. E. Cattouse, Public Housing, and Hon. Geo. Cadle Price, Mayor of Belize and head of the majority party.



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# EX-NATO BARRACKS HQ FOR SUMMIT PRESS

Paris —— Some 2,000 journalists from all over the world are expected to make their headquarters during the east-west summit conference in May in the "temporary" United Nations—NATO building at the Palais de Chaillot in Paris.

The creaking, drafty eyesore on the River Seine beneath the Trocadero, across from the Eiffel Tower, was to have been torn down many times.

### NEW LEASE ON LIFE

But each time Paris beauty-lovers thought they had won a victory, some new event came along to give the building a new lease on life.

NATO's new permanent headquarters at the Porte Dauphine on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne opened last December. It had been expected that the "temporary" structure, which NATO had occupied for ten years after its construction for the U.N. General Assembly in 1949, would be demolished.

The French Foreign Ministry originally planned to headquarter the press in the Grand Palais exhibition center on the Champs Elysee. Then it was found that the Grand Palais was needed for exhibitions, and besides it would have been too big and expensive a place for the press.

Demolition orders on the old NATO barracks were quickly cancelled, and the civic beauty boosters lost again.

Four press briefings may be held daily and simultaneously in the ex-NATO plant. News agencies will have separate offices there, and radio and TV studios will be available.

However, safety tests will have to be made first to be certain that walls, ceilings and floors are still solid enough for the world press.

### LODGE (Cont'd from page 1)

Mr. Lodge, prior to his appointment to his United Nations post served in the U.S. Senate for 13 years. At one time he worked in Washington and travelled widely as a reporter for the Boston Transcript and the N.Y. Herald Tribune.

Huntley and his committee have lined up a full evening of entertainment for March 26th. Negotiations are going on with two stars of the entertainment world and it is expected that announcement of their appearance will be made next week. In addition, Ben Cutler and his orchestra will provide a minimum of four hours of music for dancing.

Members are urged to buy tickets now to insure desirable locations in the Waldorf ballroom. Reservations may be made by phone on Lexington 2-4864 or 4865.

# 21 Turk sh Editors Feted At . OPC On Tour of U.S.

Twenty-one leading editors from Turkey were guests of the Foreign Journalists Liaison Committee at a redeption, Tuesday, March 1, at the OPC Clubhouse.

The journalists represented principal dailies of Istanbul, Ankara, and Ismir, as well as several magazines and a newsreel service.

Their visit to the U.S. is sponsored by the State Department, Defense Department and USIS. The editors also visited Washington, Colorado Springs, the Air Force Academy and various military installations.

The Turkish visitors included: from Istanbul, Hasan Yilmaer, Alp Zirek, Yekta Ragip Onen, Osman Karaca, Oktay Akbal, Musaffer Soysal, Kadircan Kafli, Mumtaz Faik Fenik, Cetin Emec, Sadun Altuna, Ecvet Guresin and Haluk Duracal.

From Ismir; Nipat Kursat, Cemil Devrim, Orhan R. Gokce.

From Ankara: Sekip Engineri, Fikret Otyam, Mehmet Ali Kislali, Yilmaz Getiner, Kumuran Evliyaoglu.

# SOVIET BARS LESUEUR AS CBS CORRESPONDENT

The Soviet Union has denied a visa to CBS News Correspondent Larry Le-Sueur, who had been assigned to re-open the CBS News Bureau in Moscow.

No reason for rejecting Mr. LeSueur's visa application was given by the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

The application has been filed in late November, 1959, after the Soviet Union had authorized CBS News to re-open its Moscow bureau, closed for 13 months following the expulsion of CBS News Correspondent Paul Niven.

John F. Day, vice president, CBS News, said the Soviet Embassy had invited his organization to submit the name of another correspondent for a visa, but added that no decision could be made immediately.

### JOSEPH (Cont'd from page 1)

Richard Huffman, of the Foreign Policy Association, will serve as moderator. Mr. Joseph, an international lawyer and an OPC affiliate member, will also participate.

Cocktails are at 6:30, dinner at 7:30. Dinner tab is \$3.00.

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Editor This Week Is:
Leon Theil
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Donald Wayne, Jess Gorkin

### PEOPLE & PLACES

Ben Zwerling, Assistant Editor of McGraw-Hill's The American Automobile is on assignment in Panama and Puerto Rico....Richard Thomas was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in London and will lecture there on his trip to the Soviet Union...Virginia Prewett's four article series on President Eisenhower's Latin American trip is being distributed to 800 newspapers by the Bell Syndicate... James Dugan's Man Under the Sea has just been published in German as Forscher und Taucher im Meer, and in an English Pelican paperback as Man Explores the Sea.

Richard Tregaski's new novel, Shanghai Diary, whose setting is the collapse of Chiang Kai-Shek's forces in 1948, will be published by Bobbs-Merrill....John Wilhelm, President of OPC, was a guest on the Barry Gray radio program February 25th....Just back from Cuba, Harold Lavine, Senior Editor of Newsweek, is off again to Panama...Miss Dudley Harmon, news director at Smith College, is publicity chairman for the recently launched campaign to raise \$23,000,000 for the college.

Franklin Gregory has a story in the April Saint Mystery Magazine....to Mexico for two weeks, Frank J. Gillespie and his wife, Bete, society columnist of the Detroit Free Press....Engineering by Consent, edited by Edward L. Bernays, and published by University of Oklahoma Press, has just been published in Arabic....CBS News Correspondent Dallas Townsend soon to begin his fifth year with CBS Radio's World News Roundup....Benjamin Fine addressed the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education in Chicago last month.

Alex Anderson to Geneva, Milan, Paris and Frankfurt for three weeks on aviation writing assignments.... Amy Vanderbilt will go to Chicago weekend of April 5 to appear on CBS-TV and NBC Radio.... Murray Young, Detroit television newsreel cameraman-reporter, was initiated into the professional chapter of Delta Sigma Chi in ceremonies in the Detroit Press Club.... After a semester teaching journalism at University of Michigan last fall, Leland Stowe is back as roving-editor for the Reader's Digest. His article on camping in Europe comes out in the April issue.

Michael Bessie off to London, Paris, Rome and Germany to see publishers and authors for Atheneum Publishers, the new house started by Bessie, Pat Knopf, and Hiram Hayden...Betty Reef off to Los Angeles and San Francisco on Women's News Service feature assignments.

New edition of *Norbert Muhlen*'s book *The incredible Krupps* to be published in March, German translation in April.... *Helen Zotos*' latest article, *Soraya*, appearing in *Family Weekly*.

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# 1001 Miles Of A Foreign Correspondent

By Lewis B. Sebring, Jr.

What pangs, what excruciating pangs, were aroused by that piece by Russell Baker of *The New York Times* in the February 13 issue of the *Overseas Press Bulletin* about his experiences as a member of the *Trailing Press* on President Eisenhower's Asiatic Argosy of 1959.

I have never jetted a few hundred thousand miles with a president, but in a newspaper career which began forty years ago this 1960 I have autobussed with a President and of course ended up at the east end of a west bound procession; I have trained and motored with so many candidates that I still have nightmares of their criss-crossing like vapor trails in the sky, and of course the press either ended up at the tail of the procession or, if by train, in a car so far removed that you never saw the candidate; and I still shudder at the thought of trying to follow Eleanor Roosevelt on a 3,100 mile air tour of eastern Australia by motorcar. (I must hasten to add that 'twasn't Mrs. Roosevelt's fault that the press was thus reduced to such plebian transportation; the story will be recounted

So when I read Baker's account of how the "press busses" were overtaken by everything, including ox carts, and of how "the press" was here when the man they were covering, in this case the President of the United States, was there, and of the innumerable other similar woes which befell, I asked myself: "Is there nothing new under the sun, even in this jet age?" And sad to relate, the inevitable answer seems to be: "No." To wit:

### JIMMY WALKER'S WHIRL

My first experience with being in a fast-moving "press party" came in the fall of 1925 in New York City, when, as a young reporter for The Associated Press, I was assigned to cover Jimmy Walker's whirlwind campaign for Mayor. It was whirlwind all right, with enough motorcycle policemen in the flying wedge ahead of the procession to have flattened a path through an Indian jungle, enough sirens to have drowned out an unthoughtof-at-the-time-air raid alarm, and enough speed to scare the daylights out of even the man with iron nerves as we wound in and out among the elevated railroad pillars which then festooned the city.

Jimmy Walker was a most personable fellow, as other oldsters will well re-

Originally a reporter for the Schenectady Gazette, Lewis B. Sebring is back at home plate after rounding bases which included the N Y Herald Tribune and the southwest Pacific.

member, and it was a lot of fun covering his campaign or anything else that he undertook to do, but it was the speed that made it almost impossible for us to keep track of him. While we in the "press cars" were still winding around the El pillars at 45th Street on the East Side, Walker would be delivering an important speech up at 69th Street, and by the time our end of the procession reached 69th Street, his end of the procession would be well on the way toward the Bronx. And in between our ends were assorted limousines bearing important people, police cars, the Fourth Deputy Fire Commissioner with staff, a few bakery wagons, and just plain members of the populace - so much like Baker's experience thirty-four years later at Casablanca.

Being new at covering politics and important people in New York City, I thought that maybe it was just New York City and Jimmy Walker, with his magnetic personality and flair for showmanship (including speed) that were the trouble. But how shattered my illusion became as the years passed!

How many east ends of west bound processions I, as a member of the "press party," travelled in over the years I'll

not bore you with here, even if I could remember them all myself. But one was notable for the switch it made, and this I recommend to future tourists or candidates, whatever the mode of transportation:

### AUSTRALIAN MAGIC CARPET

And then that one about Mrs. Roosevelt and her air trip through eastern Australia. That was a dilly!

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived in Australia early in September, 1943, on a goodwill tour, and of course for representatives of American wire services and newspapers (at that time I was war correspondent there for the New York Herald Tribune) it was quite a story. But there were complications!

An order had gone out from General MacArthur's headquarters, to which we were attached, that correspondents were prohibited from accompanying Mrs. Roosevelt as members of her official party, or from traveling on any accompanying plane — most of the tour had to be by plane because of great distances and in many areas poor or non-existent roads.

A couple of chapters in any mansized book could be written as to the "why" of this order — just another of those silly things affecting the press that didn't always endear Uncle Mac to the hearts of his ever-lovin' corres-

### GERSHEN'S A "MACH BUSTER"

Marty Gershen, of Stars and Stripes, Europe, discusses his recent jet ride with Lt. Col. Tom Stewart, of the 417th Tactical Fighter Squadron and jet pilot Capt. Jim Clemendenen. Gershen went for an indoctrination ride in the 417th's "Spirit of St. Louis" two-seater "C-Bird", in connection with story material he is gathering. Gershen holds his "Mach Buster" certificate as trophy of the flight.



pondents — but the fact of it was: there was the order, and there were we. There were four of us who wished to accompany the then First Lady: Bob Eunson of The Associated Press, Bill Wilson of the then United Press, Frank Prist, Jr. of Acme Newspictures (later killed by a Japanese sniper in the Philippines and now honored on the plaque at OPC headquarters), and myself, for the Herald Tribune.

The upshot of it all: Mrs. Roosevelt traveled by official plane — from Melbourne in the extreme southeastern tip of Australia to Cairns in the extreme northeast, an airline distance of 2,700 miles, with numerous stops, naturally, at intermediate points.

We of the "press party" didn't even have a "press bus" provided; we were ostensibly left sitting on the ground while Mrs. Roosevelt's pressless (by army orders) party took off. But were we?

It can here be disclosed that for the entire 3,100 miles of her tour, Mrs. Roosevelt was greeted at EVERY airport at which she landed by the members of our little press foursome! How we got there is one of those things the press blushingly nevertells about itself, except we can say that automobiles, trains and planes were used, even if, as in a few cases, we had to drive all night over a distance that Mrs. Roosevelt would cover the next morning in a half hour.

Such was a trip from Sydney to Melbourne, Australia's two largest cities; we did it overnight by Australian army car, she did it next morning in a couple of hours. But on the way we had one of the best meals we ever ate in Australia—steak and eggs at a little Greek cafe, the Blue Bird, in a tiny place called Gundagai, famed in Australian song. We didn't get any sleep, but ah, that steak and those eggs topped with a dessert known as Cream Gundagai. I can taste it yet—seventeen years later.

And two more things about that jaunt. Don't tell a soul, but several times we did manage to stow away on the accompanying and forbidden plane, which always landed ahead of Mrs. Roosevelt's plane. And Bob Eunson, who had arrived in Australia only ten days before, saw more of Australia in that time than most Australians had!

### ONE OF THE BOYS

United States Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., of New York State, campaigning in the mid-1920's, decided.he'd do it by bus, and that there would be one bus, and that the press would travel with him. And so it was, and what an edifying, though at times terrifying, experience.

Still covering for *The A.P.*, I was one of the party. We started out gaily from New York City, and did the better part of New York State — arriving always at the same time as the candidate, leaving

with the candidate, and, of all things, actually hearing the candidate speak! 'Twas wonderful. We got to like the old bus so well that we often patted it and placed a lump of sugar on its radiator cap, and we affectionately named it 'The Blue Behemoth.'

### HAIL TO THE CHIEF

The one time I bussed with a President was also up in northern New York State — St. Lawrence County again, come to think of it — but many years after the 1920s, and I was now a military writer for the New York Herald Tribune. It was President Franklin Roosevelt, and he had come up to review the First Army maneuvers which were being held there in August, 1940.

At the small station at which his train was to arrive we were all waiting anxiously — the military biting their nails and looking to see that everything was right, the civilian dignitaries, including Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York, talking with feigned casualness as they glanced down the track to spot the train with the two white "special" flags, and the press — the dear old press — alternating between watching for the train and trying to estimate how far the bus which the army had assigned would be behind the phalanx of shiny official cars. We soon found out.

The train rounded the bend, the artillery pieces spattered out the appropriate salute, the ruffles and flourishes were sounded (or is it the other way around — flourishes and ruffles?) and in due course the procession was ready to start and — you guessed it — license plate "D.C. 100" was at the west end, and the bus with a banner proclaiming "PRESS" to high heaven was at the east end!

The various divisions of the First Army were assembled in great open spaces along several miles of road, and up to each rode the President — we assumed, for far ahead of us on each occasion we could hear booming field pieces, and see soldiers that looked like toys in the distance presenting arms. There wasn't any speechmaking, of course, and the spectacle was the thing, so it was an easy story to write that night — even as seen from a half mile away — but doesn't it prove: "There's nothing new under, etc?"

So for once it didn't pay to put us in a "press bus" or to try to keep us on the ground. Perhaps my old friend Jim Hagerty could be induced to prohibit "the press" altogether, and then they'd be sure to get there!

But all that has been told above doesn't represent a fraction, not even a minute fraction, of the pangs that were roused during a reading of Baker's account. The real pang came when he told of "The Letdown," that moment back in

Washington when the kiddies showed not the slightest interest in the wonderful trip, and the hostess who had begged him to tell all about it didn't listen for more than three seconds.

### DOWN TO EARTH

We've all had the experience of returning home from some wonderful trip — perhaps an assignment, perhaps a journey with our family — and meeting not the slightest interest, nay, even the slightest comprehension, of what to us was the "trip of a lifetime." How eager everyone who stayed at home is to tell us of their troubles, but the pleasures we have been through — blank.

And so I shouldn't have been surprised, nor even taken aback, when I had such an experience upon my return from 27 months in the southwest pacific as *Herald Tribune* war correspondent. I shouldn't have been, but I was.

The afternoon in 1944 that I came back, I was walking through a corrider at the Herald Tribune office. I was still in my uniform, and my skin was still yellow from the atabrine I had taken in New Guinea. Toward me came one of the Herald Tribune's stable of editors of the time. Said he:

"Oh, hello, Sebring. Been away for a couple of weeks? Haven't seen you around. Have a good vacation?"

Sic transit gloria-O tempora-Amen.



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### OVERSEAS TICKER



### WARSAW

The undersigned, as European Correspondent of the *Toledo Blade*, is spendthree weeks in Poland's Western Territories, along the Oder-Neisse line and in what was formerly East Prussia. Itinerary Olsztyn, Gdynia, Gdansk, Sopot, Stettin, Jelona Gora, Wroclaw, Opole, Katowice, Krakow...and back to Warsaw. This isn't exactly a winter itinerary or a cold weather assignment. After World War II this was the graveyard of Europe. I want to see how the Poles are growing roots in this area. Fernand Auberjonois

### PARIS

Some changes were possible, however, as this issue went to press.

The cortege will follow Khrushchev all over France, but in some places, space may be so restricted that even the lucky 90 will be cut down or out.

"General" accreditation will be available for others. Nobody knows what this will mean beyond a ticket of admission to a nightly briefing by a Ministry of Information man. No help will be given the "general" accreditees as far as lodging or transportation is concerned, and they will be forbidden from following the tour by privately-hired aircraft.

Coverage in Paris and Rambouillet, where K is giving a press conference on



Dear Editor:

Just a few weeks ago I received a letter from Wayne Richardson asking for money for the new club establishment. I donated, but I would like to say here I donated under protest. I now want to state my views of a considerable number of fellow OPC members here in Mexico City.

First of all, this whole thing has been designed to appeal to "local" overseas writers in New York. We don't like this approach at all and feel there are many overseas members who won't donate a dime.

Why don't you have an arrangement with a nearby hotel to have good clean cheap rooms available for overseas members and their families when they do, occasionally, get a chance to come over?

Why don't you have a special spot marked off in the club (and have it staffed) for returning members? This spot would have a secretary who could round up show tickets, make bookings for interviews, make arrangements thru a club-sponsored discount house to buy things, have a little weekly bulletin of "good buys" or good shows and places recommended by the club for eating.

March 28, may be somewhat more open. However, a French Diplomatic Press Association luncheon for K on March 17 is limited to 250 places, of which Anglo-Americans will get only 17.

In view of present indications that American media alone may have 150 to 200 men, and possibly more, covering the K visit, it looks like aspirin and tranquilizer shares will zoom.

Bernard S. Redmont

### GARMISCH

Below zero temperatures that froze the AP press section telephone solid tested staff ingenuity at the European figure skating championships.

On the first day of the sudden freeze, Frankfurt's John Fiehn and Bonn's George Boultwood, teaming on coverage, were able to switch to telex to relay their bulletins.

It was even colder the next day when the phone was absolutely essential for swift relay of the announcement of the women's champion.

So the AP team decided to try screwing the receiver and mike out of the phone to warm them on an electric stove.

"Minutes before the winner was announced, we assembled the telephone again," Fiehn said.

"All worked perfectly for about 10 minutes. Then the telephone froze up again, but the bulletin had gone through."

Wives of returning members often don't know where to buy various items and would like the friendly tip of a New York gal who knows her shopping.

In other words, you have to do something other than the *Bulletin* for overseas members or you're not going to get any donating for this thing out of them.....

Sincerely,
Peter Weaver, Bureau Chief
McGraw-Hill World News
Mexico

(One of the uppermost objectives of each succeeding OPC administration is to offer more and better service to members overseas. To that end, the Liaison Committee, Hospitality Committee and others have been established to assist in solving precisely the problems Mr. Weaver mentions. While there is insufficient traffic from overseas members to warrant setting up a permanent service such as Mr. Weaver suggests, local committee members are on call to help any visiting OP Cers. As a matter of fact, we have blushed in the past at some of the bread-and-butter letters received out-of-town members who visited the OPC and expressed gratitude at the hospitality and assistance they received. Editor)

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### STAN SWINTON ADVISES TIO Urges Mutual Aid TEXAS JOURNALISM CUBS

Foreign correspondents today face the greatest challenge in the history of overseas reporting, Stan Swinton, AP World Service general news editor, told University of Texas journalism students last week.

Swinton said the speed and extent of

ne ws distribution today gives the foreign correspondent a greater responsibility than ever before.

"You can't be a police reporter in the country where you're assigned," he said, "You adding have



Swinton

more knowledge of your area and its people."

Swinton told the budding correspondents that 80 per cent of the news comes from routine channels but that the big story comes through contacts which have been built up through confidence in the reporter.

"Getting the story to the wire is often more difficult than obtaining it," he added.

The speaker became head of AP's world service in 1957 after 16 years of reporting from 75 foreign countries.

Norman M. Lobsenz went to Hawaii last month on magazine assignments. He is finishing a book for Bernard Geis Associates and has contracted with Doubleday for a book of social comment.

### BUILDING FUND (Cont'd f. p. 3)

Mrs. Dorothy Gjertsen	100
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### CORRECTION

In the list of the Nominating Committee last week, the name Ed Cunningham was omitted.

# For Legislators, 'Casters

Albany -- Legislators and broadcasters, both coping with the problems serving conflicting majority and minority groups, can help each other do their jobs.

Louis Hausman, director of the Television Information Office, called for cooperation between lawmakers and radio-TV men at the annual legislative dinner of the New York State Assn. of Broadcasters March 1.

Citing some of the "contradictory and self-defeating pressures" on these groups Mr. Hausman noted that broadcasters are urged to program "realistic adult dramas," but "appropriate for children;" "controversial issues" which will not be "offensive to minority groups;" and "informational broadcasts during peak viewing times" that will "avoid conflict with popular, wide-appeal shows."

Similarly, "legislators are constantly asked to legislate more services and lower taxes; more patronage and less waste; fewer laws and greater safeguards."

### TOUGH ON SOLONS

He urged that both legislators and broadcasters avoid actions which will "diminish the public's respect for the work of the other."

"All of us here tonight," said Mr. Hausman, "are uncomfortably aware of the damage which inheres in irresponsible investigations and over-anxious reporting."

Responsible broadcasters must avoid the easy lure of sensational journalism, which may perpetuate the caricature of the politician in the smoke-filled room.

At the same time, he pointed out the paradox of legislative critics who wish to curb broadcasting freedom and still expect the casters to be "effective in clarifying important local and national issues."

The two can help each other function more effectively through "responsible restraint" and "thoughtful criticism based on greater understanding."

The Television Information Office was established by the Television Board of Directors of the National Assn. of Broadcasters in March, 1959.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS ASSOCIATE

FRANK B. DEAN - Press Attache, U.S. Embassy, Santiago, Chile. Proposed by Lester Ziffren; seconded by Thomas J.

EMMA GENE HALL - free lance magazine photographer. Proposed by Henry Gellermann; seconded by Burnet Hershey.

EDUARDO SCHIJMAN - New York Correspondent for El Mercurio, Sanriago, Chile, since 1952. Proposed by Myriam Luz; seconded by Arthur Reef.

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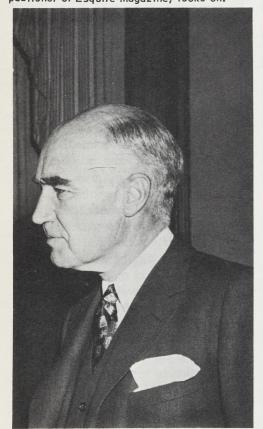
# NEWSMEN AROUND THE WORLD



Gordon Gilmore, vice-president in charge of Public Relations for T.W.A. (left) presents Dick Joseph, Esquire travel editor, with award for travel writing. Arnold Gingrich, editor and publisher of Esquire Magazine, looks on.



Dr. Albert Schweitzer posed with OPC Member Marion Preminger for this 85th birthday picture in Lambarene, French Equatorial Africa. Miss Preminger, N.A.N.A. representative, has helped the famous doctor celebrate all his birthdays since his 77th. She has the further distinction of having had a village in Gabon named after her, Village de la Mère



Henry R. Luce, Pres. of Time, Inc. whose gift of \$10,000 launched the World Press Center corporate gift campaign last week, has been awarded the Yale Medal for 1960 "for outstanding service to the university."



With some 700 newsmen on hand at Squaw Valley representing 20 countries, press coverage of the Winter Olympics exceeded anything previous in the history of sports reporting. Those 500 shiny new typewriters included a battery of specially-built machines with foreign keyboards.